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SUBJ: BONGO ON ANGOLA'S FUTURE

- 1. IN AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE OCTOBER 30, BONGO RESPONDED TO QUESTION ON FUTURE OF ANGOLA BY EXPRESSING PERSONAL VIEW THAT THREE CONTENDING LIBERATION MOVEMENTS SHOULD EACH FORM SEPARATE INDEPENDENT STATE -- "ONE IN THE NORTH, ONE IN CENTER, ONE IN SOUTH." THIS, BONGO SAID, WOULD PERMIT COUNTRY TO ACCEDE TO INDEPENDENCE AS SCHEDULED NOVEMBER 11, AND THREE SUCCESSOR STATES COULD THEN CONSIDER REGROUPING IN "FEDERATION OR CONFEDERATION."
- 2. BONGO EXPRESSED PESSIMISM OVER PROSPECTS FOR PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF CURRENT STRIFE, DISMISSING POSSIBLE OAU CONTRIBUTION IN THIS REGARD WITH VISIBLE SCORN. PRESIDENT ALSO LASHED OUT SHARPLY AT "OUTSIDE POWERS" WHO SUPPLY ARMS TO VARIOUS FACTIONS NOW THAT THEY ARE FIGHTING EACH OTHER, BUT DID NOTHING WHILE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS WERE FIGHTING PORTUGUESE, ACTION HE CHARGED WAS DESIGNED IN PART TO PROMOTE ELIMINATION OF BLACK RACE. (HIS ACCOMPANYING CRITICISM OF "OUTSIDE POWERS" WHO TELL AFRICAN CHIEFS OF STATE HOW TO BEHAVE SUGGESTED ABOVE ATTACK DIRECTED PRIMARILY AT USSR.)

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3. COMMENT: BONGO MADE NO SPECIFIC MENTION OF CABINDA, WHERE

HE HAS BEEN FAIRLY CONSISTENT SUPPORTER OF FLEC, BUT PRESUMABLY WOULD EXPECT IT BE INCLUDED WITH "NORTH" -- I.E., FNLA AREA -- IN THREE STATES HE SUGGESTS SHOULD EMERGE.STEIGMAN

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